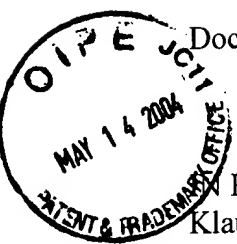


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Docket No. 926504-921873

CUSTOMER NO. 23644

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RE THE APPLICATION OF)
Klaus KAPFER)
SERIAL NO: 09/832,632)
FILED: April 11, 2001)
FOR: Installation for the Treatment...)

Examiner: Joseph S. Leyson

Group Art Unit: 1722

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[x] Applicant hereby petitions for a **one-month extension** and entry of this Amendment which is sent within the 1st month after the due date of April 15, 2004. The payment of \$110.00 to cover the one-month extension is enclosed herewith.

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The present communication responds to the Office Action mailed January 15, 2004.

Applicant encloses a check for \$110.00 to cover the one-month extension fee.

The present communication amends claims 1, 7, 8, 12, 13, and 14. The Response cancels claims 2 and 3.

The amendments to the claims begin on page 3.

No amendments are made to the specification.

No amendments are made to the drawings.

The remarks begin on page 6.



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